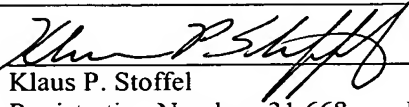


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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>			U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>10/524884</b>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/ES2002/000406</b>	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE <b>20 AUGUST 2002</b>	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED	
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>DEVICE FOR SEPARATING STACKED SHEETS</b>			
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <b>Leonard HUBRECHT</b>			
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.</li> <li>4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).</li> <li>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li> <li>9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An <b>(Unexecuted)</b> oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</li> <li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</li> </ol>			
<b>Items 11 to 20 below concern other document(s) or information included:</b>			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</li> <li>14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76</li> <li>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li> <li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.</li> <li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information (<i>specify</i>): <i>International Preliminary Examination Report; International Search Report; three references; thirteen sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-13f); and postcard.</i></li> </ol>			

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				CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY
The following fees have been submitted				\$	
21. <input type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee..... <b>\$300</b>					
22. <input type="checkbox"/> Examination fee If International preliminary examination report prepared by USPTO and all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)..... <b>\$100</b> All other situations..... <b>\$200</b>				\$	
23. <input type="checkbox"/> Search fee Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority..... <b>\$100</b> International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office..... <b>\$400</b> All other situations..... <b>\$500</b>				\$	
<b>TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 =</b>				\$	
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is <b>\$250</b> for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.				\$	
Total Sheets	Extra sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number)	RATE		
- 100 =	/50 =		x <b>\$250</b>	\$	
Surcharge of <b>\$130.00</b> for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).				\$ <b>130</b>	
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	\$	
Total Claims	- 20 =	0	x <b>\$ 50</b>	\$	
Independent Claims	- 3 =	0	x <b>\$200</b>	\$	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)			+ <b>\$360</b>	\$	
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				\$	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by ½.				\$ <b>65</b>	
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>				\$ <b>65</b>	
Processing fee of <b>\$130.00</b> for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).				\$	
<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>				\$	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by the appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). <b>\$40.00</b> per property +				\$ <b>40</b>	
<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>				\$ <b>105</b>	
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a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check (check number <u>19941</u> ) in the amount <b>\$105.00</b> to cover the above fees is enclosed. b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. 15-0700 in the amount of \$_____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 15-0700. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status..					
SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: Klaus P. Stoffel Ostrolenk, Faber, Gerb & Soffen, LLP 1180 Avenue of the Americas New York, New York 10036-8402			<div style="text-align: center;">             Klaus P. Stoffel            Registration Number: 31,668            Telephone: (212) 382-0700         </div> <div style="text-align: right;">           March 16, 2005            Express Label No.  <b>EV342540305US</b> </div>		